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CIVIL DEFENSE ADVISORY
January 3, 2012

The National Weather Service (NWS) in Honolulu has issued a High Surf WARNING for the north and west facing shores of most of the Hawaiian Islands, with the exception of Lanai, until 6:00 a.m., Thursday, January 5, 2012.

A High Surf WARNING is issued when waves are forecast to reach a height determined to produce hazards to people and property along the coast. Waves are forecast to reach 25 to 35 feet along the north facing shores and 15 to 25 feet along west facing shores.

According to the NWS, the surf will increase dramatically this morning on Kauai and progress toward Oahu this afternoon, then Molokai and Maui. The surf heights will peak Wednesday morning, but the warning level surf will remain through Wednesday night.

Wave run-up is possible along low lying coastal areas with the greatest threat occurring near midnight with the high tide.

Residents are encouraged to use extreme caution near the coastline due to the large waves and deadly rip currents and to follow all directions from water safety and civil defense officials. Spot reports and damage reports can be called in to State Warning Point, State EOC, at (808) 733-4300.

Advisory prepared by State Civil Defense. EOC phone number: 733-4300.
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